Kansas Department of Health and Environment Bureau of Waste Management Policy 02-01

related to

Storage of Unapproved Wastes Screened from Construction and Demolition Landfills

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This Bureau of Waste Management policy is intended to clarify why a construction and demolition landfill does not need a transfer station permit for temporary storage of wastes that are not acceptable for disposal at the landfill.

Background

Having proper collection containers for unapproved wastes at construction and demolition (C&D) landfills has become an important issue in achieving compliance with current and pending C&D landfill regulations. Unapproved wastes screened from an area near the working face of C&D landfills should be stored in covered collection containers for final disposal. The cover is recommended to prevent precipitation from contacting the waste and to control litter, vectors, and odors. However, the issue of storing these wastes in standard bulk collection containers of 20 cubic yards or greater without having to obtain a transfer station permit has become a major concern of the regulated community.

Policy Decision

Since all operating C&D landfills are already permitted, a transfer station permit is not required for bulk solid waste collection containers used to store unapproved wastes at the solid waste disposal area. The use of any or all collection containers of 20 cubic yards or greater must be documented in the C&D landfill operations plan. When documentation in the operations plan has been reviewed and approved by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), the C&D disposal area can use single or multiple collection containers without the need for a transfer station permit. KDHE requires that unapproved waste be stored onsite for no more than 7 days; however, at small C&D facilities (less than 1,000 tons annually) unapproved waste storage would be allowed up to 14 days.

Bulk containers for the storage of recycled waste do not need to be covered and do not need a transfer station permit.

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